

S. 409 provides a bipartisan, short-term legislative solution to address a funding shortage in CFTC's Customer Protection Fund. The Consumer Protection Fund is used to pay whistleblower awards that fund the salaries and expenses of the Whistleblower Office and the Office of Customer Education and Outreach.

Without this critical funding, CFTC would have to suspend some operations and furlough employees in the Whistleblower Office and the Office of Customer Education and Outreach.

This short-term solution is by no means a replacement for the much-needed comprehensive CFTC reauthorization. It will still, though, be a positive step to ensure that the CFTC can accomplish the important mission to promote the integrity, resilience, and vibrancy of the U.S. derivatives markets.

The Committee on Agriculture passed a committee print equivalent of this measure unanimously by voice vote last Wednesday.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. FISCHBACH. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of S. 409. I want to second what my colleague, the gentleman from California, has said about the importance of the CFTC Whistleblower Office and the Office of Customer Education and Outreach, and, of course, the employees who work in those offices.

These offices help the Commission meet its mission to promote integrity, resilience, and vibrancy of the U.S. derivatives markets. I am proud to support today's legislation to avoid unnecessary disruptions to these activities and needless staff furloughs.

The work in these offices, particularly the Whistleblower Office, helps to root out violations of the law which harm individuals and undermine derivatives markets. Fraud and market manipulation can steal customer funds, distort prices, disrupt orderly trading and settlement, and sap confidence in the fairness of our markets. Whistleblowers are a critical source of information which helps the Commission protect the integrity of our commodity markets.

I also want to emphasize that today's legislation does not spend any new money or create any new programs. Rather, it sets aside existing funds to meet existing obligations. S. 409 ensures that funds to support the functioning of the whistleblower and customer education offices are temporarily prioritized over the funds to pay whistleblower awards in order to keep the offices fully functional. In the end, both obligations will be fully met as Congress intended.

As the ranking member of the Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit Subcommittee, I feel a particular responsibility to make sure that the CFTC has the best tools at its disposal to meet its mission.

As we move forward in the coming months, I am looking forward to digging deeper into the work of the Commission and coming together to craft a responsible CFTC reauthorization bill which makes permanent improvements to the Whistleblower Office funding mechanism and meets the needs of the 21st century financial regulator.

I want to take a moment to thank Chairman SCOTT and Ranking Member THOMPSON for their willingness to involve the whole committee in this legislative effort. As a new member of the committee, I appreciated the opportunity to act as a body in support of this legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I urge all Members to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. KHANNA. Mr. Speaker, I urge adoption of this bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mrs. FISCHBACH. Mr. Speaker, I would like to say simply that I am proud to support this legislation, and I urge my colleagues to support S. 409.

I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. KHANNA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, S. 409.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. GRIFFITH. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(s) of House Resolution 8, the yeas and nays are ordered.

Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion are postponed.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 12 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DEUTCH) at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

ENHANCING STATE ENERGY SECURITY PLANNING AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ACT OF 2021

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1374) to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to provide Federal financial assistance to States to implement, review, and revise State

energy security plans, and for other purposes, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 398, nays 21, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 173]

YEAS—398

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| Aguilar | Cuellar | Hinson |
| Allred | Curtis | Horsford |
| Amodei | Davids (KS) | Houlihan |
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| Arrington | Dean | Hudson |
| Auchincloss | DeFazio | Huizenga |
| Axne | DeGette | Issa |
| Bacon | DeLauro | Jackson |
| Baird | DelBene | Jackson Lee |
| Balderson | Delgado | Jacobs (CA) |
| Banks | Demings | Jacobs (NY) |
| Barr | DeSaulnier | Jayapal |
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| Bass | Deutch | Johnson (GA) |
| Beatty | Diaz-Balart | Johnson (LA) |
| Bentz | Dingell | Johnson (OH) |
| Bera | Doggett | Johnson (SD) |
| Bergman | Donalds | Johnson (TX) |
| Beyer | Doyle, Michael F. | Jordan |
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| Biggs | Dunn | Joyce (PA) |
| Bilirakis | Emmer | Kahele |
| Bishop (GA) | Eshoo | Kaptur |
| Bishop (NC) | Estes | Katko |
| Blumenauer | Evans | Keating |
| Blunt Rochester | Fallon | Keller |
| Boebert | Feenstra | Kelly (IL) |
| Bonamici | Ferguson | Kelly (MS) |
| Bost | Fischbach | Kelly (PA) |
| Bourdeaux | Fitzgerald | Khan |
| Boyle, Brendan F. | Fitzpatrick | Kildee |
| Brady | Fleischmann | Kilmer |
| Brown | Fletcher | Kim (CA) |
| Brownley | Fortenberry | Kim (NJ) |
| Buchanan | Foster | Kind |
| Buck | Fox | Kinziger |
| Bucshon | Frankel, Lois | Kirkpatrick |
| Budd | Franklin, C. | Krishnamoorthi |
| Burgess | Scott | Kuster |
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| Butterfield | Gallagher | LaHood |
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| Carter (TX) | Golden | Lawrence |
| Cartwright | Gomez | Lawson (FL) |
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| Castro (TX) | Vicente | Lesko |
| Cawthorn | Gooden (TX) | Letlow |
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| Cleaver | Green, Al (TX) | Lowenthal |
| Cline | Griffith | Lucas |
| Cloud | Grijalva | Luetkemeyer |
| Clyburn | Grothman | Luria |
| Clyde | Guest | Lynch |
| Cohen | Guthrie | Mace |
| Cole | Hagedorn | Malinowski |
| Comer | Harder (CA) | Malliotakis |
| Connolly | Harshbarger | Maloney, |
| Cooper | Hartzler | Carolyn B. |
| Correa | Hayes | Maloney, Sean |
| Costa | Hern | Mann |
| Courtney | Herrera Beutler | Manning |
| Craig | Hice (GA) | Mast |
| Crawford | Higgins (LA) | Matsui |
| Crenshaw | Higgins (NY) | McBath |
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